

Cinderford Town 9-0 Slimbridge

Thursday 19th April 2018

Slimbridge failed to handle the pace and organisation of a very well drilled Cinderford side that could easily have finished on double figures.

Early on Slimbridge had a half chance Jamie Martin getting on the end of a Marley Thomas cross but his tame shot was held easily by the home keeper Cameron Clarke. Clarke launched the ball downfield to Robbie Atkinson's whose 20 yard effort hit the back of the net to give the home side the lead with 4 minutes on the clock.

2 minutes later Atkinson made it two nil slicing through the middle of the Slimbridge defence and keeper Ollie Hall for an easy tap in to an empty net. The Swans almost pulled a goal back Clarke forced into a point blank save from a Sam Turl header.

The third goal came on 16 minutes Richard Greave heading home unchallenged at the back post from a corner. Cinderford now dominating the game added a fourth five minutes from the end of the first half, Craig Norman the scorer having sliced through the Swans defence.

Jamie Martin put a long range shot just wide early in the second half as the Swans tried to restore some pride in the scoreline. A fifth goal for the home side came on 56 minutes substitute Lewis Bamford getting on the end of a neat passing move to slot past Hall.

Two minutes later Bamford scored his second after Hall initially save his shot but Bamford reached the ball first to tap in at the far post. On 62 minutes Cinderford were awarded a free kick on the edge of the Swans goal area, Lorcan Sheehan duly stepped up to fire in the top left corner to make it 7. With only 5 minutes left Nick Rhodes slotted home from inside the box from a corner to record the home sides eighth goal. Bamford completed the scoring and his hatrick in the final minute with a shot from the right of the Slimbridge box.

Slimbridge: Hall, Turl, L Payne, Ponting (Squires 58), Twyman, Turner, Mannings (Ward 60), Birkett, J Martin, Mace (Driver-Dikerson 85), Thomas